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FOR: Method for Obtaining Decreased Particle Concentration for
Optical Examination

The Assistant Commissioner of Patents
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AMENDMENT

In response to the Office Action dated February 13, 2003, please amend the
above-identified application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 6-9, 19, 20, 22 and 23 as follows.

6. (Amended) The method according to Claim 1 wherein said first separation
channel is 3 to 10 μ m deep by 5 to 50 μ m wide.

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